

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-52 (cancelled).

53. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method of synchronizing at least a first and a second personal information management database of the type having a plurality of records, wherein the records of the first and second personal information management databases include fields, the method comprising:

using a filter to select a plurality of records of the first database, the filter comprising one or more user definable conditions or criteria that fields of records of the first database must match or fit to be selected, and

selecting the plurality of records of the first database includes evaluating fields of the first database with the user-definable conditions or criteria, and

synchronizing the selected records of the first database with records of the second database, the synchronizing comprising adding, modifying, or deleting records, whereby synchronization is performed for a subset of the records of the databases.

54. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method of synchronizing at least a first and a second personal information management database of the type having a plurality of records, wherein the records of the first and second personal information management databases include fields, the method comprising:

using a filter to select a plurality of records of the first database, the filter comprising one or more user selectable conditions or criteria that fields of records of the first database must match or fit to be selected, and

selecting the plurality of records of the first database includes evaluating fields of the first database with the ~~user-definable~~ user selectable conditions or criteria, and

synchronizing the selected records of the first database with records of the second database, the synchronizing comprising adding, modifying, or deleting records, whereby synchronization is performed for a subset of the records of the databases.

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55. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² wherein records of the first database include a number field and the conditions or criteria include a number criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the number field with the number criterion.

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56. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² wherein records of the first database include a date field and the conditions or criteria include a date criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the date field with the date criterion.

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57. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² wherein records of the first database include a boolean field and the conditions or criteria include a boolean criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the boolean field with the boolean criterion.

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58. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² wherein records of the first database include a time field and the conditions or criteria include a time criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the time field with the time criterion.

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59. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² further comprising:
deleting a second plurality of the records of the first database failing to fit the conditions or criteria.

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60. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~59~~⁷ further comprising:
updating a plurality of records of the second database failing to fit the current value of the conditions or criteria.

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61. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² wherein the conditions or criteria has a current value during a current synchronization being different from a previous value during a previous synchronization, further comprising:

updating a plurality of records of the second database, based on results of the synchronization, wherein the plurality of records of the second database fit the previous value of the conditions or criteria but fail to fit the current value of the conditions or criteria.

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62. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~53~~¹ or ~~54~~² further comprising synchronizing a third database with one of the first and second databases.

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63. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~62~~¹⁰ wherein synchronizing the third database with one of the first and second databases includes:

selecting a plurality of records of a third database fitting second conditions or criteria;
and

synchronizing at least one of the identified records of the third database with a second record of the one of the first and second databases.

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64. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~63~~¹¹ wherein the first-mentioned conditions or criteria and the second conditions or criteria are the same.

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65. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~64~~¹² wherein the second record of the one of the first and second databases includes a code identifying the second record as having originated from the third database.

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66. (Currently Amended) A computer program, resident on a computer readable medium, for synchronizing at least a first and a second personal information management database of the type having a plurality of records, wherein the records of the first and second personal information management databases include fields, comprising instructions for:

using a filter to select a plurality of records of the first database, the filter comprising one or more user definable conditions or criteria that fields of records of the first database must match or fit to be selected, and

selecting the plurality of records of the first database includes evaluating fields of the first database with the user-definable conditions or criteria, and

synchronizing the selected records of the first database with records of the second database, the synchronizing comprising adding, modifying, or deleting records,

whereby synchronization is performed for a subset of the records of the databases.

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67. (Currently Amended) A computer program, resident on a computer readable medium, for synchronizing at least a first and a second personal information management database of the type having a plurality of records, wherein the records of the first and second personal information management databases include fields, comprising instructions for:

using a filter to select a plurality of records of the first database, the filter comprising one or more user selectable conditions or criteria that fields of records of the first database must match or fit to be selected, and

selecting the plurality of records of the first database includes evaluating fields of the first database with the ~~user-definable~~ user selectable conditions or criteria, and

synchronizing the selected records of the first database with records of the second database, the synchronizing comprising adding, modifying, or deleting records,

whereby synchronization is performed for a subset of the records of the databases.

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68. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 66 or 67 wherein records of the first database include a number field and the conditions or criteria include a number criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the number field with the number criterion.

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69. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 66 or 67 wherein records of the first database include a date field and the conditions or criteria include a date criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the date field with the date criterion.

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70. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim ~~66~~ or ~~67~~ wherein records of the first database include a boolean field and the conditions or criteria include a boolean criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the boolean field with the boolean criterion.

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71. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim ~~66~~ or ~~67~~ wherein records of the first database include a time field and the conditions or criteria include a time criterion, and selecting the plurality records of the first database includes comparing the time field with the time criterion.

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72. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim ~~66~~ or ~~67~~ further comprising instructions for:

deleting a second plurality of the records of the first database failing to fit the conditions or criteria.

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73. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim ~~72~~ further comprising instructions for:

updating a plurality of records of the second database failing to fit the current value of the conditions or criteria.

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74. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim ~~66~~ or ~~67~~ wherein the conditions or criteria has a current value during a current synchronization being different from a previous value during a previous synchronization, further comprising instructions for:

updating a plurality of records of the second database, based on results of the synchronization, wherein the plurality of records of the second database fit the previous value of the conditions or criteria but fail to fit the current value of the conditions or criteria.

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75. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim ~~66~~ or ~~67~~ further comprising instructions for synchronizing a third database with one of the first and second databases.

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76. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 23 wherein synchronizing the third database with one of the first and second databases includes instructions for:

selecting a plurality of records of a third database fitting second conditions or criteria;
and

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synchronizing at least one of the identified records of the third database with a second record of the one of the first and second databases.

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77. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 24 wherein the first-mentioned conditions or criteria and the second conditions or criteria are the same.

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78. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 24 wherein the second record of the second database includes a code identifying the second record of the second database as having originated from the third database.

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79. (Previously Added) The method of claim 1/ 24 further comprising displaying a record selection criteria input region on a computer display for a user to input a record selection criteria that specifies the conditions or criteria.

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80. (Previously Added) The method of claim 27 further comprising:
transmitting the record selection criteria to a database manager, wherein the database manager manages the first database, and
using the record selection criteria to select records of the first database fitting the conditions or criteria.

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81. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 14 15 further comprising instructions for displaying a record selection criteria input region on a computer display for a user to input a record selection criteria that specifies the conditions or criteria.

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82. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 81 further comprising instructions for:

transmitting the record selection criteria to a database manager, wherein the database manager manages the first database, and using the record selection criteria to select records of the first database fitting the conditions or criteria.

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83. (Previously Added) The method of claim 53 or 54, wherein the first and second databases are different copies of the personal information management database of the same individual.

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84. (Previously Added) The method of claim 31, wherein the personal information management database includes a schedule database.

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85. (Previously Added) The method of claim 53 or 54, wherein the first and second databases are located on different computers and at least one of the computers is a handheld computer.

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86. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 66 or 67, wherein the first and second databases are different copies of the personal information management database of the same individual.

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87. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 34, wherein the personal information management database includes a schedule database.

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88. (Previously Added) The computer program of claim 66 or 67, wherein the first and second databases are located on different computers and at least one of the computers is a handheld computer.

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89. (Previously Added) The method of claim 33, wherein the handheld computer has less storage capacity than the other computer, wherein fewer records are stored in the database on the

handheld computer than in the database on the other computer, and wherein the filter is used to limit the number of records added to the database on the handheld computer during a synchronization.

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90. (Previously Added) The method of claim ~~88~~, wherein the handheld computer has less storage capacity than the other computer, wherein fewer records are stored in the database on the handheld computer than in the database on the other computer, and wherein the filter is used to limit the number of records added to the database on the handheld computer during a synchronization.
